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1. PHILIPPINES

REUTER'S BICKLER (MANILA) REPORTS INFORMED SOURCES SAY
HERRERA'S RELEASE MAY HAVE BEEN RESULT OF PRES CARTER'S
FIRST INTERVENTION IN FOREIGN HUMAN RIGHTS CASE. CITES
AMEMBASSY SPOKESMAN'S CONFIRMATION TUES THAT CHARGE STULL
HAD TAKEN UP CASE AT DOS' DIRECT REQUEST AND HAD SEEN
"HIGH AUTHORITIES" ON ISSUE--BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN MARCOS.
BICKLER NOTES THIS IS BELIEVED FIRST CASE IN RECENT TIMES
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OF US TAKING UP POSSIBLE VIOLATION HUMAN RIGHTS OF
INDIVIDUAL FILIPINO.

BICKLER REPORTS HERRERA PICKED FROM POLICE LINE-UP TUES
ONE OF HER ALLEGED TORTURERS--IDENTIFIED BY INFORMED
SOURCES AS BELIEVED TO BE ARMY LT.

2. INDOCHINA

RADIO HANOI SAYS 23 MILLION VOTED IN PROV/CITY ELECTIONS

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SUNDAY (WP). LAT (5/14) CARRIES RECENT AP PIC VIET CHILDREN ON STATE FARM OUTSIDE SAIGON.

3. THAILAND

US-MADE MOVIE DRAMATIZING ISRAELI RESCUE OF AIR HIJACK HOSTAGES FROM UGANDA'S ENTEBBE AIRPORT BANNED BY RTG. OFFICIALS SAY "RAID ON ENTEBBE" MIGHT ENDANGER RELS BETW THAILAND/ARAB COUNTRIES, ALSO TREATS ME ISSUE UNFAIRLY (AP, WP 5/15).

4. MALAYSIA

GOM INTERESTED IN INCREASING FOREIGN INVESTMENT IN TIMBER/ EXPORTING MORE WOOD TO US; 16-MAN TIMBER TRADE MISSION VISITING SEATTLE/PORTLAND/SF/LA/HOUSTON/WASHINGTON/NY (FULLER, JOC).

5. AUSTRALIA

PM FRASER HITS OUT AT KGB AS CONTROVERSY FLARES AGAIN RE ALLEGED CIA OPNS IN AUSTRALIA, DUE LONDON BROADCAST BY EX-CIA MAN PHILIP AGEE NAMING 4 IN AMEMBASSY AS AGENTS. EMBASSY HAS NO COMMENT; NEW AMB ALSTON REPORTEDLY CALLED MTG SECTION HEADS TO DISCUSS AGEE'S ALLEGATIONS (REUTER CANBERRA).
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EARTHQUAKE MEASURING 4.5 ON RICHTER SCALE SHAKES AREA 250 MI S PERTH. NO REPORTS OF DAMAGE (REUTER, WP).

6. AUSTRALIA/TONGA

FIRST WOMAN FROM TONGA TO GET MA RECEIVES DEGREE AT AUSTRALIA NATL U (CSM).

7. MICRONESIA

SEN JACKSON (D-WASH) DEMANDS DOS EXPLANATION ON REPORTS ADMIN HAD CHANGED POLICY/DECIDED CONSIDER EARLY INDEPEN-DENCE FOR MICRONESIA. MATTER CAME UP IN CONFIRMATION HEARINGS ON NOMINATION ADRIAN WINKEL AS HIGH COMMISSIONER TRUST TERRITORIES. DOS' BROWN SAID MONDAY THAT US CON-TINUES PREFER FREE ASSOCIATION ARRANGEMENT, BUT NOT IN BUSINESS OF DICTATING SUCH ARRANGEMENTS; OTHER FORMS SELF-DETERMINATION, INCLUDING INDEPENDENCE "WOULD BE CONSIDERED IF THAT WERE THE EXPRESSED DESIRE OF THE MICRONESIAN PEOPLE" (UPI, WP).

8. CHINA

UPI (TOKYO) CITING RECENTLY PUBLISHED YOMURI INTERVIEW

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WITH PRC VICE PREMIER CHI TENG-KUEI, REPORTS CHI SAID:
FULL RELS W/WASHINGTON IMPOSSIBLE UNTIL US GIVE PRC FREE
HAND ANNEX TAIWAN, BY FORCE IF NECESSARY/"DISPOSITION"
TAIWAN LAST REMAINING QUESTION IN ESTABLISHING FULL DIPL
RELS WITH US. CHI REVIEWED 3 CONDITIONS OF PRC POSITION/
SAID IF CONDITIONS NOT SATISFIED, NORMALIZATION IMPOSSIBLE/
ADDED US TALKS, RE ATTACHING CONDITION SETTLEMENT TAIWAN
QUESTION SHOULD BE PEACEABLE, WOULD BE INTERFERENCE IN PRC
INTERNAL AFFAIRS. (JOC/NYDN CARRY EXCERPTS).

"PD" REPORT COOL ON "ROOTS" IN PAPER'S FIRST REVIEW OF
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WESTERN BOOK. SAYS HALEY WORK CONTRIBUTES TO MAINTAINING
US "RACIAL PREJUDICES." AFP (PEKING WP) ADDS SINCE
MARXIST LENINIST BOOKS ONLY FOREIGN LITERATURE SOLD IN
CHINA, "ROOTS" UNAVAILABLE TO CHINESE PEOPLE. SIMILAR
REUTER PEKING REPORT (CHITRIB) NOTES BOOK RECEIVED ALMOST
UNPRECEDENTED ACCOLADE OF "PD" REVIEW, W/PAPER'S REVIEWER
SAYING ONLY HOPE FOR BLACK AMERICANS IS OVERTHROW OF
CAPITALISM.

9. JAPAN

OVER ADMIN OBJECTIONS, SENATE/HOUSE CONFEREES AGREED
5/16 TOUGHEN LAW AGAINST EXPORTING ALASKAN OIL TO JAPAN.
CONF CMTE BARRED EXPORTS UNLESS PRES CAN CERTIFY THEY
ARE NEEDED IN NATL INTEREST/LOWER CONSUMER PRICES WOULD
RESULT (NORDLINGER, SUN).

LDP FAILS PASS NEW LAW EXTENDING GOJ'S AUTHORITY OVER
27 PLOTS PRIVATELY OWNED LAND BEING USED BY JAPANESE/US
MIL BASES ON OKINAWA. SOME 350 PEOPLE SEEKING REGAIN
CONTROL THEIR LAND. OPPOSITION STALLING TACTICS DELAYED
PASSAGE, THO EXPECTED IN FEW DAYS; EFFECTS ON OPN US
BASES LIKELY BE MINOR (JAMESON, LAT TOKYO 5/15). FORMER
DEF MIN MASUHARA KNOCKED TO FLOOR BY OPPOSITION MEMBERS
DURING DIET DEBATE ON ISSUE 5/17. SCUFFLING BROKE OUT
WHEN MASUHARA GAVE HIS VOTE TO LDP RESOLUTION TO HALT
FURTHER DELAY TACTIC. MASUHARA NOT SERIOUSLY INJURED/CMTE
WENT INTO RECESS IMMEDIATELY AFTER INCIDENT (REUTER TOKYO).

GOJ OFFICIALS SAY JAPAN/US CLOSE TO AGREEMENT ON LIMITING
JAPANESE EXPORTS COLOR TVS TO US/HOPE ANNOUNCE FORMAL
ACCORD WITHIN WK. OFFICIALS DECLINED CONFIRM JAPANESE
PRESS REPORTS THAT AGREEMENT WOULD LIMIT EXPORTS TO ANNUAL
CEILING 1.75 MIL SETS FOR NEXT 3 YRS; BUT SAID NEGOTS
SUFFICIENTLY ADVANCED FOR CARTER BE ABLE RULE IN FAVOR

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OF ORDERLY MARKETING AGREEMENT RATHER THAN HIGHER DUTIES (REUTER TOKYO).

GOJ DELEGATION LEFT TOKYO FOR OTTAWA 5/17 FOR TALKS ON DRAFT REVISED JAPAN-CANADA NUKE ENERGY AGREEMENT. FON MINISTRY HOPES REVISED AGREEMENT TO PREVENT PROLIF NUKE ENERGY WILL BE SIGNED WHEN FONMIN HATOYAMA VISITS CANADA IN JUNE FOR ECON COOPERATION MTG. CANADA HAS SUSPENDED SHIPMENT NATURAL URANIUM TO JAPAN SINCE JAN PENDING CONCLUSION OF TALKS ON AGREEMENT. DURING JUNE VISIT, JAPAN TO RENEW PLEDGE USE NUKE POWER FOR PEACE PURPOSES ONLY (REUTER TOKYO).

DREYER (JOC BRUSSELS) REPORTS EC "REASONABLY CONFIDENT" JAPAN WILL PREFER AMICABLE SETTLEMENT BALL BEARINGS ANTI-DUMPING CONFLICT TO IMPOSITION DEFINITIVE ANTIDUMPING DUTY. PROVISIONAL DUTY DECREED EARLY THIS YR/EXTENDED TO 8/5; GATT RULES DO NOT PERMIT ANOTHER EXTENSION, THUS EC COUNCIL OF MINISTERS MUST MAKE DEFINITIVE DECISION IN JULY AT LATEST.

ONCE AGAIN CITING ILLNESS, BUSINESSMEN/CENTRAL LOCKHEED FIGURE KODAMA 5/17 REFUSED FOR 6TH TIME TO TESTIFY BEFORE PARLIAMENTARY CMTE INVESTIGATING LOCKHEED AFFAIR (REUTER TOKYO).

IN MOVE PROTECT DOMESTIC INDUSTRY, JAPAN WILL REGULATE IMPORTS SILK YARN FROM 20 COUNTRIES/REGIONS STARTING WEDNESDAY. THOSE AFFECTED INCL US/FRG/FRANCE/HK/NK/PRC/SK/SINGAPORE/ROC/THAILAND/VN. SILK PRODUCTS/FABRICS FROM SK/HK THAT CAN EASILY BE UNKNIT INTO THREAD WILL ALSO BE BANNED (UPI, JOC).

SIXTEEN JAPANESE BANKS PROBABLY MUST WRITE OFF IN HALF-YR ENDING 9/30 SOME 685 MIL DOLS IN BAD DEBTS OF TROUBLED ATAKA TRADING HOUSE. SUMITOMO/KYOWA BANKS EXPECTED ABSORB

ABOUT 80 PCT (WSJ).

JOC REPORTS GOTAAS LARSEN DIVISION IU INTL HAS DELIVERED 1ST LNG SHIPMENT ABU DHABI TO JAPAN.

FROM OISO, SUN'S TAKAYAMA DOES ITEM ON MIKI SAWADA, 1947 FOUNDER ELIZABETH SAUNDERS ORPHANAGE FOR MIXED JAPANESE/AMERICAN CHILDREN. SAWADA DISCUSSES HARDSHIPS RAISING MIXED CHILDREN IN ERA WHEN "HALF-AMERICAN BABIES WERE BETTER OFF DEAD THAN ALIVE."

10. KOREA

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US/SK AGREE ON 4-YR QUOTA FOR NON-RUBBER SHOE EXPORTS TO US, EFFECTIVE 6/28. PACT LIMITS EXPORTS TO 38.46 PAIRS PER YR; QUOTA 14 PCT LESS THAN 44 MILLION PAIRS IMPORTED FROM SK IN 1976 (WP; AP NYT, SUN). NEW QUOTA WOULD BE RENEGOTIATED AFTER 18 MOS (UPI, JOC). ACCORD FOLLOWS SIMILAR, PRELIMINARY PACT REACHED W/TAIWAN (AP, NYT; WSJ). US TRADE POLICY OFFICIALS SAY CAN'T PROVIDE FURTHER DETAILS ON IMPORT ROLLBACKS W/SK/TAIWAN PENDING WH REVIEW OF "ORDERLY MARKETING" AGREEMENTS (WSJ).

MONDAY US/SK BUSINESSMEN OPENED 3-DAY MTG US-SK ECON COUNCIL AT SEOUL TO EXPLORE JOINT AREAS TECHNICAL/FINANCIAL COOPERATION (UPI, JOC).

UNIFICATION CHURCH GROUP, LED BY HENRY CHA, PICKET BALTIMORE'S "BLOCK" IN WIPE-OUT-SMUT DRIVE (SUN PIC). YOUNG FEMALE MOON FOLLOWER SUES PARENTS/5 DEPROGRAMMERS FOR 3 MILLION DOLS; CHARGES KIDNAPPING/TORTURE/BRAIN-WASHING (EDMONDS, NYDN).

11. TRADE POLICY

AGREEMENT REACHED ON SHOE IMPORTS W/SK/TAIWAN THAT WILL

REDUCE SHOE IMPORTS INTO US TO 54 PCT OF THEIR LEVEL LAST YR. COLOR TV IMPORTS FROM JAPAN WOULD ALSO BE WELL BELOW PREVIOUS LEVLES IF AGREEMENT REACHED (PHINQ).

12. NUCLEAR POLICY

LEWIS (NYT) REPORTS PRES CARTER EXPECTED FOCUS DRIVE STOP SPREAD NUKE WEAPONS ON 12-15 COUNTRIES DEEMED ON NUCLEAR THRESHOLD. MOST RECENT LIST THRESHOLD COUNTRIES APPEARED IN FORD FNDTN STUDY PUBLISHED THIS YR; INCL SK/NK/TAIWAN/ JAPAN.

13. GENERAL

LOCKHEED CHMN HAACK PREPARES CONFRONT SEC OVER DISCLOSING PAYOFF RECIPIENTS. "UNEVALUATED" CO FILS LIST MANY AS 150 GOVT NAMES IN 15 COUNTRIES, INCL JAPAN/INDONESIA/ PHILS (LANDAUER, WSJ).

COMMENT AND ANALYSIS

14. JAPAN

FROM HIROSHIMA, NYT'S KAMM STATES US POLICY SEEKING HALT EXPORTS TECHNOLOGY FOR REPROCESSING SPENT NUKE FUELS SEEN AS CALL FOR EVENTUAL BAN ON ATOMIC WEAPONS, IS THEREFORE RECEIVING SUPPORT ACROSS JAPANESE POL SPECTRUM. JCP

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REGIONAL LEADERSHIP MEMBER CHALLENGED CARTER SHOW US' GOOD FAITH BY SCRAPPING ALL ATOMIC WEAPONS/INVITING OTHER NUKE POWERS DO SAME. REMARKS IN 3 DAYS OF INTERVIEWS, EVERYONE FROM UNIV PROFS TO HOUSEWIVES IN HIROSHIMA ECHOED SAME PLEA. KAMM NOTES VISITORS' BOOK AT HIROSHIMA MUSEUM RECORDS AMCITS' THOUGHTS, WHICH "ABOUT EQUALLY DIVIDED BETWEEN 'FORGIVE US' AND 'REMEMBER PEARL HARBOR.'"

LAT'S JAMESON (NAGOYA, 5/16) REPORTS ON SPEECH GIVEN
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5/15 BY FORMER AMB TO JAPAN/NOW HARVARD PROF REISCHAUER, WHO STATES JAPAN "HAS PERHAPS THE MOST TO LOSE" FROM BREAKDOWN IN OPEN TRADE SYSTEM. BELIEVES JAPAN SHOULD BE LEADER IN SEEKING ANSWERS TO MANY WORLD ECON PROBLEMS. ADVOCATES GREATER DIPLOMATIC ROLE FOR JAPAN, PREDICTING ITS ACTIVE INVOLVMENT IN WORLD LEADERSHIP COUNCILS WITHIN 10 YRS.

WP REPRINTS SHORT EXCERPT FROM MAINCHI SHIMBUN ON ECON SUMMIT; SAYS CARTER "HAS REPEATEDLY SPOKEN" OF US-EUR-JAPAN ALLIANCE, AND "THERE ARE MANY WHO WONDER WHAT IS HIS MOTIVE BEHIND THIS....WE WILL WATCH WITH INTEREST."

15. CHINA

FROM HK, CSM'S MORITZ COMMENTS THAT KREMLIN'S RENEWED JABS AT PRC INDICATE SOVIET VIEWS NEW CHAIRMAN AS IN MAO'S MOLD/CITES ANALYSTS' BASING OF CONCLUSION ON CONTINUING SERIES OF FACTORS WHICH ARE CHINESE IN ORIGIN (E.G. ANTI-SOV PRONOUNCEMENT BY PRC LEADERS IN OUTLINING NEW ECON DEV PROGRAM/FAILURE TWO COUNTRIES MOVE CLOSER RESOLVING BORDER TENSIONS) AND OBSERVATION THAT SO FAR NO OFFICIAL FOREIGN POLICY STATEMENT ON SOV UNION BY CHAIRMAN HUA. MORITZ ADDS BASIC ANTI-SOV MAOIST LEGACY REMAINS UN-DIMINISHED.

CSM (5/17) OBSERVES NO FORMAL ANNOUNCEMENT, BUT PRES HAS MENTIONED APPOINTING WOODCOCK NEW US EMISSARY TO PEKING/ SAYS CHOICE GOOD ONE. WOODCOCK REPUTATION GOOD/TOUGH NEGOTIATOR HIGHLY IMPORTANT IN FUTURE DEALING WITH PRC. SAYS PROVED DIPL SKILL IN RECENT NEGOTS WITH HANOI. CHINESE WILL BE PLEASED WITH APPOINTMENT ENVOY W/NATIONAL STATUS /HAS ESTEEM OF PRES; BUT ADDS ONE CHINA SPECIALIST NOTED PRC MAY BE MITE PUZZLED BY WOODCOCK'S BLAST AT CARTER PLAN FOR REBATES FOR PURCHASES SMALL CARS. CONCLUDES WOODCOCK, W/LONG-TIME INTEREST IN CHINA, MAY FIND
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NEW JOB MOST CHALLENGING TO DATE.

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REUTER'S MAJENDIE (HK) REPORTS HKG--SENSITIVE TO FOREIGN CRITICSM--HAS DOUBLED FINES FOR FACTORIES EMPLOYING CHILDREN UNDER 14 AS CHEAP LABOR. CITES VARIOUS HK PUBLIC FIGURES/OFFICIALS' VIEWS ON PROBLEM AND GOVT EFFORTS TO COPE W/PROBLEM.

FROM HK, ED MEAGHER FORMER LAT STAFF CORRESPONDENT IN COLONY WRITES OF HIS RETURN THERE. SAYS HK HAS CHANGED, BUT REMAINS ONE OF MOST SPECTACULAR/EXCITING CITIES IN WORLD. CHANGES THAT CHAFE RESIDENTS OF LITTLE CONCERN TO VISITORS/EASY TO GET AROUND/GOOD BARGAINS/GRAND HOTELS ETC (5/15).

REUTER'S DAVID ROGERS (PEKING) HIGHLIGHTS OFFICIAL NCNA REPORT OF HOW CLOSE SHANGHAI CAME TO CIVIL WAR IN 27 DAYS BETW MAO DEATH/ARREST "GANG OF FOUR." ROGERS CITES REPORT SHANGHAI MILITIA ISSUED 6 MIL ROUNDS AMMUNITION AND OTHER ASPECTS RADICAL PLOT TAKE OVER CHINA BEFORE OCT 6 ARREST 4 RADICALS. ADDS ACCOUNT CONTAINED FEW PREVIOUSLY UNPUBLISHED ALLEGATIONS.

CONTINUING HIS SERIES "CHINA AFTER MAO", JAY MATHEWS (CANTON) REPORTS ON CHINESE HEALTH WORKERS' ATTEMPTS TO BATTLE MAJOR EPIDEMICS OF MENINGITIS/HEPATITUS/OTHER MAJOR INFECTIONS; DISEASES BLAMED ON/SAID AGGRAVATED BY RECENT POL TURMOIL. MATHEWS MENTIONS VARIOUS OFFICIAL EFFORTS COPE WITH PROBLEM. SAYS DOCTORS' FRANK DISCUSSION HEALTH PROBLEMS SEEMS REFLECT NEW CANDOR AMONG OFFICIALS. MENTIONS US PHYSICIAN'S CONCERN ABOUT BAREFOOT DOCTORS USE OF ALCOHOL TO CLEAN NEEDLES/CHINESE PHYSICIANS VIEW "THAT IS SUFFICIENT," AND THEIR GREATER CONCERN RE FOOD PREPARATION IN UNSANITARY CONDITONS. NOTES CANTON HEALTH PROGRAM CARRIED ON AT TIME OF SERIOUS DROUGHT. RANDOM VISITS SUGGESTS ENOUGH RICE, BUT IMPOSSIBLE FOREIGNER UNCLASSIFIED

CHECK CONDITIONS SZECHWAN/FUKIEN AND OTHER HARD-HIT PROVINCES.

AFTER 3-WK PRC VISIT, SHIRLEY TEMPLE BLACK SAID US SHOULD FACE "INEVITABLE"/BREAK TRADITIONAL TIES W/TAIWAN "SOONER, RATHER THAN LATER." RE POSSIBLE NIXON ASSISTANCE W/ CHINESE, SHE SAID, "I THINK WE ALREADY HAVE EVERYTHING HE HAS TO GIVE ON THE SUBJECT" (WSTAR, 5/15).

LAT'S ENDICOTT (SF) NOTES BLACK'S VIEW THAT PRC LEADERS' PROTESTATIONS FRIENDLINESS FOR US CONTRAST SHARPLY WITH "DRUMFIRE OF BITTER INVECTIVE" THAT SPREWS CONSTANTLY FROM LOUDSPEAKERS/RADIO STATIONS. ACCORDING TO BLACK, PRC'S DESIRE FOR FRIENDSHIP W/US STANDARD THEME IN ALL OFFICIAL CONVERSATIONS. SHE SUGGESTED "TURNING DOWN THIS

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VOLUMN OF CRITICISM/FINDING REASON AMPLIFY CONSTRUCTIVE
ASPECTS OF CHINESE-US RELS WOULD STRIKE MORE HOPEFUL TONE
FOR FUTURE (SPEECH ON PRC VISIT TO SF COMMONWEALTH CLUB
5/14).

16. INDOCHINA

GEYER (CDN 5/13) FINDS "GUILT"COMING TO FORE IN US FOPOLICY.
GIVES MTGS W/SRV AT PARIS AS EXAMPLE, THO ADMITS SECSTATE
IMMEDIATELY SAID NO REPARATIONS WOULD BE PAID/PRES REFUSED
INDULGE TEMPTATION TO PUBLIC WAILING. GEYER STATES SRV
IDEA IN DEMANDING REPARATIONS HAS NO MORAL COMPONENT--JUST
WANTS WHAT CAN GET/ALSO WANTS HUMILIATE FORMER TORMENTORS.
WONDERS IF ANY GUILT COMING OUT OF SRV FOR "RE-EDUCATING"
SOME 500,000 PERSONS, OR OUT OF CAMBODIA WHERE 200,000
KILLED. SAYS OPPOSED VN WAR SINCE WASTEFUL/UNSTRATEGIC/
DESTRUCTIVE; OPINES MISTAKE MADE PARTLY DUE US MORALISTIC
STRAIN. CONCLUDES TIME STOP SETTING OURSELVES ABOVE
OTHERS--IN GOODNESS OR GUILT.

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MCARTHUR (LAT 5/16) VISITS MANDALAY, IS IMPRESSED W/
ILLEGAL MARKET IN GEMS. SAYS SEEMINGLY LANGUID RESIDENTS
THRIVE ON CONTRABAND/INTRIGUE/PLAYING HIDE-AND-SEEK W/LAW.
SAYS "STAGNANT SOCIALISM" OF NE WIN HAS BROUGHT OFFICIAL
ECONOMY TO VIRTUAL STANDSTILL, BLACK MKT THRIVES TO
BENEFIT THAILAND/PRC. DESCRIBES EXTENT/PATTERN ILLEGAL
TRADE.

18. KOREA

CDN (5/11) CARRIES LTR FROM DIRECTOR OF UNIFICATION CHURCH
IN ILLINOIS. DEFENDS CHURCH/REV MOON. ACCUSES PRESS
BEING 1-SIDED/EMOTIONAL/TRYING SCARE PEOPLE AWAY FROM
CHURCH.

19. HUMAN RIGHTS

CHI S-T (5/12) NOTES PRES CARTER'S RELAXED STYLE. DETECTS
SUSPICIONS RE PRES' "COSMETOLOGY" AS RECENT ADMIN STATE-
MENTS SEEN BY SOME AS BACKING DOWN ON RTS. OPINES PRESI-
DENT HAS GREAT OPPORTUNITY WORK VS RTS VIOLATIONS IN PHILS/

S AF/CUBA/ELSEWHERE. ADVISES PRES TAKE OPPORTUNITIES SO
VICTIMS REPRESSION BY US ALLIES/FOES ALIKE CAN FIND HIS
STYLE INDEED EXPRESSES SUBSTANTIVE WORK FOR FREEDOM.

20. GENERAL

BARTLETT (WSTAR 5/16) REVIEWS WORLD SITUATION RE FOREIGN

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AID. SAYS US HAS "BACKED AWAY" FROM IT, NOW STANDS 12TH
AMONG DONORS IN TERMS PCTAGE GNP ALLOTS TO FOREIGN AID.
LISTS OTHER COUNTRIES IN SAME TERMS: SWEDEN LEADS W/.82
PCT, FOLLOWED BY NETHERLANDS/NORWAY/FRANCE/AUSTRALIA
(.61)/BELGIUM/CANADA/DENMARK/NZ (.52)/FRG/UK/US (.26)/
JAPAN (.24). CONCLUDES URGENT SITUATION IS CHALLENGE
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